Chairman Kevin J. Martin Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Room 8-B201 Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Martin:

The Alaska Municipal League recently passed a resolution in support of free nationwide broadband internet service. I want to lend my support to this effort as well. I understand that the FCC currently is considering such a proposal. I believe such a system would be extremely beneficial to my constituents.

Currently available internet services can be slow speed, unaffordable for low income families and contain certain content that may be objectionable for young children. It is my understanding that the proposal currently before the FCC would address these problems. Expanded internet accessibility and portability are important aspects of the M2Z proposal. Firefighters, police, paramedics and rural residents not currently served by the internet would all benefit under the M2Z proposal.

My constituents have come to depend on the internet for information, commerce and communication. Free nationwide broadband internet service could only enhance the use and benefits of the internet for them.

I urge the commission to promptly and favorably consider the M2Z proposal for free nationwide broadband internet.

Sincerely,

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